

# NEWS NOTES

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St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church

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## SERVING TODAY

### Greeters:

8:00am: Volunteer needed

11:00am: ND-Karen Grossman

MD-David Grossman

### Readers:

6:00pm: Barb Hill

8:00am: Judy Taylor

9:30am: Volunteer needed

11:00am: Nannette Shea

### Altar Guild:

Mel & Carol Penrod, Dave Sweeley &

Barb Grubb

**THANK YOU FOR WORSHIPPING WITH US TODAY.**

**WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE HERE!**

*Please take a minute to complete the salmon colored insert (with your own pen or pencil) and place it in the basket or hand it to an usher as you go up to receive communion. If you have any questions or wish to get involved in any of our many ministries, please note that on the insert and we will follow up with you in the coming week.*

## ✪ PERSONAL NOTES ✪

**HOSPITALIZED:** Please pray for members who are or were in the hospital this past week: Megan Jenkins; Carole Ratcliff

**DEDICATIONS TO THE GLORY OF GOD:**

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** In honor of all Veterans. Given by Warren Gordy and Linda Vozel.

**BULLETINS:** Given by Rhonda Maynard.

## ✪ TODAY'S NEWS ✪

Help to slow the spread of the coronavirus.  
Please wear a face covering at all times while in the church building.

*If you are unable to tolerate a facial covering, we ask that you sit in the Overflow and maintain social distancing to protect others.*

*Thank you for respecting these requests.*

Thank you for helping slow the spread



**PLEASE WEAR  
YOUR MASK**

**DRIVE THROUGH COMMUNION** will be held from **12:30** to 12:45pm on Sunday mornings.

**THE BEACONS' CHRISTMAS BAGS DONATIONS** - Don't be tempted to eat that leftover Halloween candy. Get it out of the house and donate it to the Beacons for the Christmas bags. Please place it in the Beacons-Quilters' cabinet in the Link. Thank you for buying too much!



**PROMISE KEEPERS MEET ON THURSDAY MORNINGS** - Pastor Seth will be meeting with the Promise Keepers group on Thursday mornings. We will meet in Rooms 103-4 at 7:00 a.m. for scripture discussion and fellowship. All St. John's men and their guests are always welcome to attend!

**READER SIGN-UP SHEETS** for October, November, and December are posted in the North Entrance. Please volunteer to read the scriptures at a worship service.

**YOUTH NEWS:**  
**YOUNGER SUNDAY SCHOOL**

- **Ages 3 – Grade 4** your lesson today from your take-home packet is “Ten Bridesmaids”, Matthew 25:1-13.
- **Grades 5 – 6** have Lesson Six of the Lord’s Prayer.
- Questions? Connect with Tim Allman at [tim.allman110@gmail.com](mailto:tim.allman110@gmail.com).

**SCRIP gift cards make great Christmas gifts.** Place your order by the first Tuesday of the every month...which will be Dec.1st. Contact Gary Pecuch at [gpecuch@stjohnsgc.org](mailto:gpecuch@stjohnsgc.org) for details.

**The youth department is researching a parent resource that will give “parents and mentors hope by being a guide through culture into conversation around Jesus.”** We think we’ve found a great resource! We have a current list of parents and grandparents who’ve told us they’d be interested in such a resource. Not sure it you’re on our list or would like to be? Connect with Diana, Laurie, or Gary!

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD** Today is officially the last day to turn in your Operation Christmas Child shoebox. However, if you forgot, we can still accept shoeboxes and/or monetary donations through Monday, November 9.

Thank you to all who filled a shoebox and donated money or items. Please continue to pray for:

- Boys and girls in need around the world
- Local churches who deliver shoebox gifts
- Children discipled through the Greatest Journey
- Volunteers worldwide.



“The Lord is near to all who call upon Him.” Psalm 145:18



**THE MITTEN TREES** have returned to the North Entrance and the Link! Please help fill the trees with mittens, gloves, warm hats, earmuffs, scarves and socks for all ages. **All items need to be new with tags or homemade.** The trees will be up until December 6th, after which the items will be taken to the LSS Champion Food Pantry, where they will be distributed to anyone in need. Please contact Ellen

Previts at 614-345-8576 or Jaylynn Jermann at 614-971-1106 if you have any questions. Thank you for helping our neighbors stay warm!

Assisting Opportunities



IN  
**WORSHIP**

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**DISINFECTING WIPES NEEDED** - we are running low on our supply of wipes. If you see some at the store and could pick up an extra for the church we would be grateful. Thank you to everyone who has already donated!

## NALC DISASTER

## RESPONSE NEEDS

WE WILL BE  
COLLECTING BABY  
ITEMS THROUGH THE  
END OF NOVEMBER.

**BABY CARE KIT**

- TWO** lightweight cotton t-shirts
- TWO** long- or short-sleeved gowns or sleepers
- TWO** receiving blankets, medium-weight cotton or flannel, or crocheted or knitted with lightweight yarn, up to 52" square
- FOUR** cloth diapers, flat fold preferred
- ONE** jacket, sweater or sweatshirt with a hood, or include a baby cap
- TWO** pairs of socks
- ONE** hand towel, any color
- TWO** or three bath-size bars of gentle soap equaling 8 to 9 oz, any brand, in original wrap
- TWO** diaper pins or large safety pins



**OWLS Nov. 20** - 2020 has been a very challenging year. I can't think of one person who has not been affected in one way or another. And yet – we continue to receive the love and blessings of our God in many ways. He never fails us and we know we will get through this with His help. The OWLS offer you the opportunity to get out of the house and meet friends in a safe environment.

Thanksgiving 2020 will be celebrated on the 26<sup>th</sup> but it probably will look a little different for most people. But we will celebrate and give thanks. However, there are others who feel they don't have much to be thankful for. Our speaker this month is Stacey Buttel, Career Facilitator at Goodwill Columbus – Workforce Development Department. Stacey has special ties to our group – she is the daughter of Mel and Carol Penrod. This department at Goodwill Columbus's primary focus is to help people learn, grow and advance in their careers. They offer a variety of services that include career counseling with resume development and improvement, interviewing and job-seeking skills, as well as offering many trainings that will help their clients upskill to find their first job, or your next best job. The trainings that they provide are in the areas of hospitality and lodging, informational technology, medical billing and coding, STNA and many more. And like



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many others you probably thought Goodwill was just another thrift store. You are in for a surprise. Hope you join us.

Our OWLS will meet at 1:00 pm for this program and future programs until further notice.

We will not be sharing lunch. If you plan to attend, please fill out the salmon sheet in the bulletin, or call Bonnie Swanson (614-562-8002. Hope to see you there!

## ☞ SUNDAY SCHOOL ☞

**SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ADULTS:** The Book of Revelation w/Pastor Don Allman in rooms 103-4. All other adult classes have been suspended for the time-being.

## ☞ STEWARDSHIP ☞

**Attendance:** Nov.1 – 228

<b><u>September 2020</u></b>	<b><u>Income</u></b>	<b><u>YTD</u></b>	<b><u>Expense</u></b>	<b><u>YTD</u></b>
Operating	\$48,686	\$525,698	\$60,444	\$511,798
Benevolence	\$ 3,336	\$ 51,306	\$ 4,766	\$ 46,582
Debt Reduction	\$ 3,859	\$ 26,968	\$ 2,918	\$ 33,762

**Loan Balance as of 10/26/2020** \$13,912.95

**Amount given to Good Samaritan Fund as of 10/31/2020:** \$14,704! **Thank you!**

**WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR FAITHFUL AND GENEROUS GIVING  
TO ST. JOHN'S MINISTRIES!**

***Many thanks to all who have signed up for online giving or mailed in their offerings!***

**How to give to St. John's:**

1. During worship services or drive-thru communion.
2. Mail your offering to the church – 3220 Columbus St., Grove City, Ohio 43123
3. Through your financial institution – they will send a check directly to the church on your behalf.
4. St. John's website – [www.stjohnsgc.org](http://www.stjohnsgc.org) – online giving is available through Vanco Services, and we have partnered with them for more than 20 years. It is secure and safe.
5. Through the **GivePlus** app available from Apple or Google – again a partnership between the church and Vanco Services. Set up a profile one time, and set up a

recurring gift, or give when you want to. Once your profile is set up, giving is a one-touch process.

## ☞ CALENDAR ☞

### **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8**

8:00am Traditional Worship (Sanc)  
9:30am Traditional Worship (Sanc)  
9:30am Adult Sunday School (103-4)  
11:00am Contemporary Worship (Flc)  
11:00am Traditional Worship (Sanc)  
12:15pm Drive-through Communion

### **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9**

12:00pm Lunchtime AA (Fh)  
6:30pm Box sorting (Flc)  
7:00pm Finance Team (103-4)  
7:00pm Daily Reprieve AA (Fh)

### **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10**

*Eagle Deadline*

2:00pm Small Group (102)  
6:00pm Cub Scouts (virtual)  
7:00pm Boy Scouts (Fh)

### **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11**

6:30pm Small Group (103-4)  
7:00pm Explorers/Energizers (virtual)

### **THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12**

7:00am Promise Keepers (103-4)  
1:00pm Small Group (103-4)  
5:45pm Adventure Club/Faith Trek  
(virtual)  
6:00pm Small Group (101-2)  
7:00pm Contem. Worship Reh. (Flc)

### **FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13**

9:30am Bulletin Team (Lib)  
12:00pm Private event (103-4)  
8:30pm AA Mtg (Fh)

### **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14**

9:00am Prayer Shawl Min. (103-4)  
4:00pm Traditional Worship (Sanc)  
7:00pm A.A Serenity Seekers (Sh)

### **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15**

8:00am Traditional Worship (Sanc)  
9:30am Traditional Worship (Sanc)  
9:30am Adult Sunday School (103-4)  
11:00am Contemporary Worship (Flc)  
11:00am Traditional Worship (Sanc)  
12:15pm Drive-through Communion

